

ANNUAL REPORTS
of the
TOWN OFFICERS
of
WESTMORELAND
NEW HAMPSHIRE



for the Year Ending December 31, 1953
and
SCHOOL DISTRICT OFFICERS
for Year Ending June 30, 1953

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TOWN OFFICERS

OSCAR W. BILLINGS	Representative to General Court
PAUL D. KING	Moderator
RUTH E. BURT	Town Clerk
RUTH E. BURT	Tax Collector
THOMAS W. HATT, Chairman	First Selectman
DONALD A. PAINE	Second Selectman
LAWRENCE A. LEACH	Third Selectman
CHARLES H. ALDRICH	Treasurer
CHARLES H. ALDRICH	Trustee of Trust Funds
NELLIE F. ALDRICH	Trustee of Trust Funds
MAUDE E. MESSE	Trustee of Trust Funds
LUCY THOMPSON	Library Trustee and Treasurer
ELIZABETH MOORE	Library Trustee
ANNA BRITTON	Library Trustee
DOROTHY R. RHODES	Librarian
ARTHUR C. HATT	Constable
EDNA M. PAINE	Health Officer
MERTON C. LEACH	Supervisor
GLADYS L. PLOOF	Supervisor
ANNIE M. SHELLEY	Supervisor
CHARLES W. MESSE	Road Agent, Village District
EDWIN H. KING	Road Agent, East District
LEON E. McCLENING	Road Agent, River District
HELEN TERRY	Briggs Christmas Fund Committee
RUTH CHURCHILL	Briggs Christmas Fund Committee
WALTER E. DUNN	Auditor
NINA E. CHRISTIAN	Auditor
PAUL R. HATT	Fire Chief
J. R. FREDETTE	Town Hall Janitor

THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

TOWN WARRANT

To the Inhabitants of the Town of Westmoreland in the County of Cheshire in said State, qualified to vote in Town Affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at Town Hall in said Westmoreland on Tuesday, the 9th day of March, next at nine of the clock in the forenoon, to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose all necessary Town Officers for the year ensuing.
2. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray town charges for the ensuing year and make appropriations of the same.
3. To see if the town will vote to accept the budget as submitted by the budget committee under the authority of the municipal budget act. (This budget may be considered item by item or as a whole but may not be increased more than ten percent in any item as a whole.)
4. To hear the reports of agents and auditors and take any action thereto.
5. To see if the Town will vote for snow removal and sanding on either Class V or Class VI roads or take any other action relating thereto, raise and appropriate money for the same.
6. To see if the Town will vote for Class V assistance for Class V roads and raise and appropriate the sum of \$600.79. State contribution to be \$4,005.28 under the proposed new law.
7. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate in addition to what is required by law for highways and bridges.

8. To see what disposition the Town will vote to make of the income of the Jotham Lord fund.

9. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$200.00 for the support of the library.

10. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$400.00 for the White Pine Blister Rust Control in cooperation with the State Forestry and Recreation department.

11. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$80.00 (1/100th of 1% of the valuation of the town) to the Monadnock Region Association of Southwestern New Hampshire for issuance and distribution of printed matter, newspaper and magazine advertising, and by other means calling attention to the resources and natural advantages of the town, in cooperation with the other thirty-seven towns of the Monadnock Region.

12. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$125.00 for the upkeep of cemeteries.

13. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the selectmen to borrow money in anticipation of taxes.

14. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$650.00 for the Elliot Community Hospital in Keene, this figure being based on the proportionate share of the total being asked from all county towns.

15. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$150.00 to bulldoze a water hole and roadway on the lower side of East Westmoreland dump to facilitate a more sanitary dump program at this dump.

16. To see if the Town will consent to allow the Fire Company to build a fire station on the Town Hall property at no expense to the Town. The company plans to raise the cost of the building through voluntary contributions of money, labor and materials.

17. *To see if the Town will vote to accept the sum of One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) from Viola V. Tuttle, the in-

come from same to be used for perpetual care of the Sumner H. and Martha T. Hall lot in South Village Cemetery. To be known as Vivian's Memorial Fund.

18. *To see if the Town will vote to have the complete inventory of the town printed in the town report every year and raise and appropriate money for the same.

19. *To see if the Town will vote to discard the present system of voting by the printed ballot and adopt the former method of electing all town officers, including road agents, or take any other action relating thereto.

20. *To see if the town will vote to rescind the vote of 1950 under Article 21 to adopt the provisions of the Municipal Budget Law.

21. To transact any other business which may legally come before said meeting.

* Handed in by individuals.

Given under our hands and seal, this 13th day of February, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and fifty-four.

THOMAS HATT,
DONALD A. PAINE,
LAWRENCE A. LEACH,
Selectmen of Westmoreland.

A true copy of Warrant—Attest:

THOMAS HATT,
DONALD A. PAINE,
LAWRENCE A. LEACH,
Selectmen of Westmoreland.

TOWN MEETING

March 10, 1953

The moderator, Paul D. King, called the meeting to order and read the warrant.

Article 1. This article for election of town officers was open for the entire meeting.

Articles 2 and 3. It was voted to take up Articles 2 and 3 together, item by item.

The town voted to raise and appropriate the following sums of money.

Town officers' salaries	\$1,850 00
Town officers' expenses	1,100 00
Election and registration	150 00
Town hall	1,600 00
Police department	100 00
Fire	1,000 00
Health	100 00
Vital statistics	20 00
Memorial Day	10 00
Aid to soldiers and their families	50 00
Parks	100 00
Legal expenses	150 00
Town poor	1,200 00
Old age assistance	1,200 00
Social Security	150 00
Interest on temporary loans	300 00
Interest on long term notes	400 00
Payment on long term notes	3,000 00
Deficit of previous year	915 46
Street lighting	350 00

Article 4. It was voted to accept the Town Reports.

Article 5. The town voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$3,000.00 for snow removal and sanding.

Article 6. It was voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$600.79 for Class V roads.

Article 7. It was voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$9,670.00 of which \$8,370.00 to be used for highways and bridges, including what is required by law, and \$1,300.00 to cover town summer and general highway expenses.

Article 8. The income from the Jotham Lord fund was voted to be used for the support of the library.

Article 9. It was voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$200.00 for the support of the library.

Article 10. It was voted not to raise any money for White Pine Blister Rust Control.

Article 11. The sum of \$78.00 was voted to be raised and appropriated to use of the Monadnock Region Association.

Article 12. It was voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$125.00 for upkeep of cemeteries.

Article 13. It was voted to authorize the selectmen to borrow money in anticipation of taxes.

Article 14. The town voted not to contribute money to the Elliot Community Hospital.

Article 15. It was voted to authorize the selectmen to appoint three road agents for 1954. Votes cast 101. Yes 55, No 46.

Article 16. The motion was made to raise and appropriate a sum not to exceed \$3,200.00 (\$500.00 to be raised and appropriated in 1953 and borrow \$2,700.00 to be amortized at \$500.00 each year beginning in 1954) this sum to be used by the selectmen for the purchase of a fire engine. An amendment in regard to this motion was made and passed unanimously that a fire company be formed with Paul Hatt, the present chief, as head of the company. Ballots cast 98. Yes 21, No 77. Negative vote declared.

Article 17. It was voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$350.00 to be used on the Spofford Road slide.

Article 18. This article was not voted on since the State Legislature passed an amendment for collectors compensation in Head Tax collecting.

Article 19. No action was taken on the question of improving Barker Park.

Under the last article it was voted that the town activate a fire company around its present chief, Paul Hatt. The company to be organized under the provisions specified in Public Laws, Revised 1945 and operate within the budget appropriated for fire purposes by the town.

There were 171 ballots cast under Article 1.

Town officers elected were as follows:

Town Clerk. Ruth E. Burt, 156 votes.

Selectman for three years. Lawrence A. Leach, 90 votes.

Town Treasurer. Charles H. Aldrich, 157 votes.

Tax Collector. Ruth E. Burt, 164 votes.

River Road Agent. Leon E. McClening, 156 votes.

South Village Road Agent. Charles W. Messer, 160 votes.

East Westmoreland Road Agent. Edwin H. King, 130 votes.

Trustee of Library for three years. Anna M. Britton, 155 votes.

Auditors. Walter Dunn, 36 votes; Nina Christian, 26 votes.

Constable. Arthur Hatt, 157 votes.

Surveyors of Wood and Lumber. Charles H. Kingsbury, 117 votes; Howard Smith, 24 votes.

Fence Viewers. Selden Lund, 10 votes; Russell Wellington, 6 votes; Lawrence Leach, 5 votes.

Budget Committee for three years. John H. Terry, Jr., 129 votes.

Briggs Fund Committee. Helen Terry, 53 votes; Ruth Churchill, 50 votes.

After the results of the balloting were read by the Moderator, the meeting was adjourned.

RUTH E. BURT,
Town Clerk.

BUDGET OF THE TOWN OF WESTMORELAND

ESTIMATES OF REVENUE AND EXPENDITURES FOR
THE ENSUING YEAR JAN. 1, 1954 TO DEC. 31, 1954
COMPARED WITH

ESTIMATED AND ACTUAL REVENUE, APPROPRIA-
TIONS AND EXPENDITURES OF THE PREVIOUS
YEAR JAN. 1, 1953 to DEC 31, 1954

SOURCES OF REVENUE

	Estimated Revenue Previous Year 1953	Actual Revenue Previous Year 1953	Estimated Revenue Ensuing Year 1954
From state:			
Interest and dividends tax	\$1,500 00	\$2,253 36	\$2,000 00
Railroad tax	435 00	431 54	435 00
Savings Bank tax	235 00	246 60	235 00
Reimbursement a/c state and federal forest lands		74	6 50
Reimbursement a/c exemption of growing wood and timber	1,700 00	2,200 00	2,500 00
For fighting forest fires	600 00	493 50	
Reimbursement a/c old age assistance	300 00		
From local sources except taxes:			
Dog licenses	275 00	332 20	300 00
Business licenses, permits and filing fees	15 00	14 00	14 00
Rent of town hall and other buildings		25 00	50 00
Interest received on taxes and deposits	250 00	179 10	200 00

	Estimated Revenue Previous Year 1953	Actual Revenue Previous Year 1953	Estimated Revenue Ensuing Year 1954
Income of departments:			
Reimbursement on town poor		125 00	100 00
Motor vehicle permit fees	2,500 00	3,065 68	2,200 00
Sale of town property	500 00	250 00	
From local taxes other than property taxes:			
(a) Poll taxes—Reg. @ \$2	620 00	680 00	680 00
(b) National Bank stock taxes	20 00	20 00	20 00
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Total revenues from all sources except property taxes	\$8,950 00	\$10,316 72	\$8,740 50
Amount to be raised by property taxes			\$19,509 50

PURPOSES OF EXPENDITURES

	Appropriations Previous Year 1953	Actual Expenditures Previous Year 1953	Appropriations Recom.'d By Budget Com. 1954	Appropriations Sub. Without Recomm'n Of Budget Com. 1954
Current maintenance expenses:				
General government:				
Town officers'				
salaries	\$1,850 00	\$1,705 00	\$1,800 00	
Town officers,				
expenses	1,100 00	1,062 49	1,100 00	
Election and regis- tration expenses	150 00	66 96	200 00	
Expenses town hall and other town buildings	1,600 00	2,142 78	2,400 00	

	Appropriations Previous Year 1953	Actual Expenditures Previous Year 1953	Appropriations Recom'd By Budget Com. 1954	Appropriations Sub. Without Recomm'n Of Budget Com. 1954
Protection of persons and property:				
Police department	100 00	12 80	50 00	
Fire department	1,000 00	1,030 16	2,180 00	
Moth exter.—				
blister rust and care of trees				\$400 00
Health:				
Health department, incl. hospitals	100 00	50 00	100 00	650 00
Vital statistics	20 00	17 00	20 00	
Highways and bridges:				
Town maintenance—				
Summer	8,370 00	7,178 09	8,000 00	
Town Maintenance—				
Winter	3,000 00	2,747 62	3,000 00	
Street lighting	350 00	313 78	350 00	
General expenses of highway dept.	1,300 00	1,537 04	1,500 00	
Town road aid	600 00	565 73	600 00	
Libraries	200 00	200 00	200 00	
Public welfare:				
Town poor	1,200 00	1,155 62	1,200 00	
Old age assistance	1,200 00	1,150 99	1,200 00	
Patriotic purposes:				
Memorial Day and				
Veterans' Assns.	10 00	14 40	10 00	
Aid to soldiers and their families	50 00		50 00	
Recreation	100 00	40 00		
Parks and playgrounds incl. band concerts,				
Barker park	40 00	107 51	85 00	

	Appropriations Previous Year 1953	Actual Expenditures Previous Year 1953	Appropriations Recom'd By Budget Com. 1954	Appropriations Sub. Without Recomm'n Of Budget Com. 1954
Public service enterprises:				
Cemeteries	125 00	131 34	125 00	
Unclassified:				
Damages and legal expenses, incl. dog damage	150 00	202 39	150 00	
Advertising and Reg.				
Associations	78 00	78 00	80 00	
Employees' retire- ment and Social Security	150 00	162 37	200 00	
Interest:				
On temporary loans	300 00	274 75	350 00	
On long term notes	400 00	369 50	300 00	
Outlay for new construction and perm. improv.:				
Highways and bridges:				
Town construction				
Perry Corner	350 00	343 20		
Indebtedness:				
Payment on prin- cipal of debt:				
(b) Long term notes	3,000 00	3,000 00	3,000 00	

Total expenditures \$26,853 00 \$25,659 55 \$28,250 00

JOHN WATKINS,
JOHN H. TERRY, JR.,
LAWRIE W. CHURCHILL,
CHARLES R. ADAMS,
THOMAS HATT,
Budget Committee.

REPORT OF SELECTMEN

SUMMARY OF THE INVENTORY OF 1953

Real estate	\$647,680 00
Mature wood and timber	1,000 00
Electrical distribution, transformers and meters	68,227 00
Horses, 37	2,420 00
Cows, 716	79,030 00
Neat stock, 64	6,350 00
Sheep and goats, 57	1,660 00
Hogs, 37	930 00
Hens, 8,420	9,890 00
Portable mills, 2	500 00
Wood and timber	3,500 00
Gasoline pumps, 6	770 00
Stock in trade	9,100 00
Mills and machinery	3,800 00
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	\$834,857 00
Less soldiers' exemptions and exemptions to blind	34,050 00
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Net valuation on which tax rate is computed	\$800,807 00

ASSESSMENT OF 1953

Town officers' salaries	\$1,850 00
Town officers' expenses	1,100 00
Social Security	150 00
Election and registration	150 00
Town hall expenses	1,600 00
Police department	100 00
Fire department, including forest fires	1,000 00
Health department	100 00
Vital statistics	20 00
Town road aid	600 79
Town maintenance roads, summer and winter	11,670 00

General expense highway department	1,000 00
Street lighting	350 00
New construction	350 00
Libraries	200 00
Old age assistance	1,200 00
Memorial Day	10 00
Town poor	1,250 00
Parks and playgrounds	100 00
Cemeteries	125 00
Damage and legal expense	150 00
Monadnock Region	78 00
Payments on principal of debt	3,000 00
Interest	700 00
County tax	2,156 37
School tax	31,712 35
Total town and school appropriations	\$60,722 51

ESTIMATED REVENUES AND CREDITS

Interest and dividends tax	\$2,237 16
Railroad tax	435 00
Savings bank tax	235 00
Reimbursement state and federal lands	74
Reimbursement exemption of growing wood and timber	4,035 70
Motor vehicle permit fees	2,700 00
Dog licenses	275 00
Interest on taxes and income on trust funds	250 00
Permits	15 00
Sale of town property	500 00
N. H. forest fire bill	493 50
Reimbursement on old age assistance	300 00
Total revenues and credits	\$11,477 10
Total town and school appropriations	\$60,722 51
Less revenues and credits	11,477 10
	\$49,245 41

Plus overlay	243 82
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Less 310 poll taxes at \$2.00	\$49,489 23
	620 00
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Less National Bank stock tax	\$48,869 23
	20 00
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	\$48,849 23
Amount to be raised by property taxes on which tax rate is to be figured	\$48,849 23
Net valuation on which tax rate is computed	\$800,407 00
Tax rate \$6.10 per hundred	6 10
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	\$48,849 22

**FINANCIAL REPORT
OF THE TOWN OF WESTMORELAND IN
CHESHIRE COUNTY**

For the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1953

CERTIFICATE

This is to certify that the information contained in this report was taken from official records and is complete to the best of our knowledge and belief.

Feb. 4, 1954.

THOMAS HATT,
DONALD A. PAINE,
LAWRENCE A. LEACH,
Selectmen.
CHARLES H. ALDRICH,
Treasurer.

**BALANCE SHEET
ASSETS**

Cash:

In hands of treasurer	\$13,616 81
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Accounts due to the town:

Due from state:

(b) Bounties	47 00
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Unredeemed taxes: (from tax sale
on account of)

(b) Levy of 1952	275 21
(c) Levy of 1951	24 53
(d) Previous years	53 70

Uncollected taxes:			
(a) Levy of 1953			
Property		\$15,211	07
Polls		96	00
Yield		1,672	44
		16,979	51
(b) Levy of 1952		237	84
(e) State head taxes—Levy of 1953		430	00
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Total assets			\$31,664
Excess of liabilities over assets (net debt)			9,990
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Grand total			\$41,655
Net debt—December 31, 1952		\$14,812	30
Net debt—December 31, 1953		9,990	55
Decrease of debt		4,821	75

LIABILITIES

Accounts owed by the town:			
Draper trust fund interest		\$208	85
World War II Memorial		121	49
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Due to state:			
(a) State head taxes—1953			
(Uncollected \$430.00)			430 00
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Due to school districts:			
Balance of appropriation			26,794
			81
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Long term notes outstanding:			
Aldrich bridge		1,500	00
River road note		11,600	00
Grader note		1,000	00
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Total liabilities			\$41,655
			15
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Grand total			\$41,655
			15

RECEIPTS

Current Revenue:

From local taxes: (Collected and remitted to treasurer)	
1. Property taxes—current year 1953	\$37,138 16
2. Poll taxes—current year— Regular @ \$2—1953	504 00
3. National Bank stock taxes—1953	20 00
5. State head taxes @ \$5—1953	1,460 00
7. Property taxes and yield taxes— previous years	11,170 77
8. Poll taxes—previous years— Regular @ \$2	176 00
9. State head taxes @ \$5— previous years	445 00
10. Interest received on taxes	179 10
11. Penalties on state head taxes	56 50
12. Tax sales redeemed	1,568 31
From state:	
13. For highways and bridges: (b) For Class V highway maintenance	\$453 39
14. Interest and dividend tax	2,253 36
15. Railroad tax	431 54
16. Savings Bank tax and Building and Loan Association tax	246 60
17. Reimbursement a/c state and federal forest lands	74
18. Reimbursement a/c exemption of growing wood and timber	4,061 54
20. Fighting forest fires	493 50
From county:	
23. For support of poor	290 00
From local sources, except taxes:	
24. Dog licenses	332 20

25.	Business, licenses, permits and filing fees	14 00
27.	Rent of town property	25 00
29.	Income from trust funds	208 85
33.	Registration of motor vehicles, 1952 permits	63 65
	Registration of motor vehicles, 1953 permits	3,002 03

	Total current revenue receipts	\$64,594 24
	Receipts other than current revenue:	
34.	Temporary loans in anticipation of taxes during year	\$14,000 00
38.	Refunds	7 21
42.	Sale of town property	250 00
	Refunds on head taxes	47 70
	Penalties on poll taxes	22 80
	Tax sale of 1952 property	400 61
	Tax sale, costs and interest	16 30
	Interest on timber tax	6 10
	Refund from Timothy Chickering	35 00
	Refund on Social Security	45 44

	Total receipts other than current revenue	\$14,831 16

	Total receipts from all sources	\$79,425 40
	Cash on hand January 1, 1953	3,295 50

	Grand total	\$82,720 90

PAYMENTS

Current Maintenance Expenses:

	General government:	
1.	Town officers' salaries	\$1,705 00
2.	Town officers' expenses	1,062 49
3.	Election and registration expenses	66 96
5.	Expenses town hall and other town buildings	2,142 78

Protection of persons and property:		
6.	Police department	12 80
8.	Fire department, including forest fires	1,030 16
10.	Bounties	47 00
11.	Damage by dogs	7 00
Health:		
14.	Health department, including hospitals	50 00
15.	Vital statistics	17 00
Highways and bridges:		
18.	Town road aid	565 73
19.	Town maintenance (Summer—\$7,521.09), (Winter—\$2,747.65)	10,268 74
20.	Street lighting	313 78
21.	General expenses of highway department	1,537 04
Libraries:		
22.	Libraries	200 00
Public welfare:		
23.	Old age assistance	1,150 99
24.	Town poor	1,155 62
Patriotic purposes:		
26.	Memorial Day and Veteran's Associations	14 40
Recreation:		
	Barker park	40 00
28.	Parks and playgrounds, including band concerts	107 51
Public service enterprises:		
30.	Cemeteries, including hearse hire	131 34
Unclassified:		
	World War II Memorial fund	45 00
32.	Damages and legal expenses	195 39

33.	Advertising and Regional Assn.	78 00
34.	Taxes bought by town	392 94
35.	Discounts, abatements and refunds	265 00
36.	Cost of taxes bought by town	23 05
37.	Employees' retirement and Social Security	324 74
	Interest:	
	On taxes bought by town	16 02
38.	Paid on temporary loans in anticipation of taxes	274 75
39.	Paid on long term notes	369 50
41.	Paid on principal of trust funds used by town, Starkey trust fund	208 85
	Outlay for new construction, equipment and Permanent improvements:	
43.	Highways and bridges—town construction	259 82
	U. S. Government tax on help	64 80
	Indebtedness:	
51.	Payments on temporary loans in anticipation of taxes	14,000 00
52.	Payments on long term notes	3,000 00
	Payments to other governmental divisions:	
56.	State head taxes paid state treas. (1953 taxes \$1,366.35) (Prior years \$1,186.78)	2,553 13
57.	Taxes paid to county	2,156 37
59.	Payment to school districts (1952 tax \$19,250.39), (1953 tax \$4,000.00)	23,250 39
	Total payments for all purposes	\$69,104 09
	Cash on hand December 31, 1953	13,616 81
	Grand total	\$82,720 90

SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY

Description	Value
1. Town hall, lands and buildings	\$35,000 00
2. Libraries, lands and buildings	3,700 00
3. Police department, lands and buildings	50 00
4. Fire department, lands and buildings	5,000 00
5. Highway department, equipment	2,500 00
9. Schools, lands and buildings	15,000 00
 Total	 \$61,250 00

REPORT OF TOWN CLERK

Total Number of Automobile Permits Issued from Jan. 1, 1953 through Dec. 31, 1953		
1952-53	15 permits	\$63,64
1953	474 permits	3,002 03
 Total paid to town treasurer		 \$3,065 67
Dog taxes:		
106 males @ \$2.00		\$212 00
27 females @ \$5.00		135 00
1 kennel license		12 00
 Total collected		 \$359 00
Retained as clerk's fees		26 80
 Total paid town treasurer		 \$332 20
Town meeting filing fees paid treasurer		\$13 00

RUTH E. BURT,
Town Clerk.

New buildings constructed in 1953 are the dwellings of Arthur Britton and Mrs. Harlan Cummings. Lyle McClenning built a large hen-house and Samuel Chickering enlarged his new barn.

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

SUMMART OF WARRANT

Levy of 1953

DR.

Taxes committed to collector:

Property taxes	\$48,849 23
National Bank stock tax	20 00
Poll taxes	642 00
Interest on property	1 96
Penalties on polls	9 20
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	\$49,522 39

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Remittances to treasurer:

Property taxes collected	\$33,638 16
Poll taxes collected	544 00
Bank tax collected	20 00
Interest collected	1 96
Property uncollected	15,211 07
Poll taxes uncollected	96 00
Poll taxes abated	2 00
Penalty on poll taxes	9 20
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	\$49,522 39

Levy of 1952

DR.

Uncollected as of Jan. 1, 1953	\$14,833 86
Uncollected poll taxes	158 00
Uncollected timber tax	285 96
Interest collected	362 24
Interest on taxes sold	16 30
Penalty on poll taxes	13 60
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	\$15,669 96

Levy of 1952
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Remittances to treasurer:

Taxes collected	\$14,354 05
Interest collected	362 24
Tax sale	400 61
Interest on taxes sold	16 30
Poll taxes collected	136 00
Penalty on polls	13 60
Uncollected polls	22 00
Uncollected taxes	61 50
Property abated	17 70
Timber collected	131 62
Timber uncollected	154 34

	\$15,669 96

UNREDEEMED TAXES AS OF
Dec. 31, 1953

1952 Levy	1951 Levy	Previous Years
\$275 21	\$24 53	\$53 70
14 25	13 45	
(to other than town)	(to other than town)	

RUTH E. BURT,
Collector of Taxes.

REDEMPTIONS PAID TO TREASURER
DURING 1953

1948	1949	1950	1951	1952
\$33 51	\$65 25	\$64 65	\$61 56	\$158 50
			1,150 75	
			34 09	

1953 POLL TAX ABATED

J. R. Fredette, error in assessment

1953 POLL TAXES UNCOLLECTED

Roberta Brown	Howard Barkley
Gerald Blood	Doris Barkley
Ethel Blood	Theron Christian
Martha Bittner	Dorothy Christian

Mae Cushing	Dorothy Maylin
Raymond Dufuor	George Moody
Ida Dufuor	William Morrill
Forrest Draper	William O'Brien
Izetta Draper	Fay O'Brien
William Fancher	Earl Perham
Sylvia Fancher	Lydia Perham
Walter Forbes	Marion Perham
Ida Forbes	Eleanor Perham
Clyde Goodrum	Leanne Pepin
Louie Garrapy	Rose M. Provencher
Mabel Garrapy	Oliver Roberts
Jewel Goodwin	Carl Sawyer
Barbara Howland	Elizabeth Sawyer
William Hoyt	Arthur Sharkey Jr.
Ida Minkler	Pauline Sharkey
Clayton Maylin	Myrtle Scott

1952 ABATEMENT ON PROPERTY

John Terry Jr. on Warwick cottage	\$17 70
Error in assesment	2 50

Received on redemption:

1948	\$33 51
1949	65 25
1950	64 65
1951	1,246 40
1952	158 50

RUTH E. BURT,
Tax Collector.

TREASURER'S REPORT

From January 1, 1953 to December 31, 1953

RECEIPTS

Balance in treasury January 1, 1953	\$3,295 50
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Received of Ruth E. Burt, tax collector:

1951 Head tax	\$5 00
Penalty	50
1952 Head tax	440 00
Penalties	44 00
1953 Head taxes	1,460 00
Penalties	12 00
1952 Property tax	14,539 15
1953 Property tax	33,638 16
1952 Yield taxes	131 62
1952 Poll taxes	136 00
Penalties	13 60
1953 Poll taxes	544 00
Penalties	9 20
1952 Interest	183 24
1953 Tax sale	400 61
Tax sale interest	16 30
1953 Interest	1 96
National Bank stock tax	20 00
Redemptions	1,568 31

Received of Ruth E. Burt, clerk:

1952 Auto permits	63 65
1953 Auto permits	3,002 03
1953 Dog tax	332 20
1953 Filing fees	13 00

Received of state treasurer:

Reimbursement, for loss of taxes on public forest land	74
Forest fire	493 50

Balance 1952 timber tax and error on mature timber	1,698	28
Maintenance Class V highways	453	39
Interest and dividend tax	2,253	36
Refund on head tax	47	70
Savings Bank tax	246	60
Railroad tax	431	54
Timber tax loss, 1953	2,363	26

Received of Cheshire National Bank:

Borrowed in anticipation of taxes	14,000	00
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Received of Mason Insurance Agency:

Returned premium	7	21
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Received of William H. Watson, Jr.:

Refund from Timothy Chickering case	35	00
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Received from Great Meadow Grange:

Contribution towards lights and heat	25	00
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Received from Trustees of Trust Funds:

Starkey gift fund interest	208	85
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Received from Selectmen:

Social Security 1952	45	44
For land sold by vote of town	250	00
Two pistol permits	1	00
Account of Walter St. John	290	00

\$82,720 90

PAYMENTS

Stafford M. Boardman, county tax	\$2,156	37
Marjorie Hudson, school treasurer	23,250	39
Cheshire National Bank	15,372	25
Vermont Peoples National Bank	2,272	00

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Paid all other selectmen's orders	26,053	08
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\$69,104 09

Balance in treasury January 1, 1953	\$13,616	81
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CHARLES H. ALDRICH,
Treasurer.

REPORT OF SELECTMEN

SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS, 1953

Received from Ruth E. Burt, collector:

Property taxes, current year	\$37,138 16
Poll taxes, current year	544 00
Property taxes, 1952	11,039 15
Poll taxes, 1952	136 00
Tax sale of 1952 property	400 61
Tax sale costs and interest	16 30
Redemption of 1952 tax, Edward Berube	158 50
Redemption of 1951 tax, East Westmoreland Men's club	34 09
Redemption of 1951 tax, Henry Anger	1,150 75
Redemption 1948 through 1951 tax, Louis Garrapy	224 97
Interest, 1952 taxes	177 14
Interest, 1953 taxes	1 96
Head tax, 1952	440 00
Head tax, 1951	5 00
Head tax penalty	56 50
Head taxes, 1953	1,460 00
Timber tax, 1952	131 62
Auto tax, 1952	63 65
Auto tax, 1953	3,002 03
Dog tax, 1953	332 20
National Bank stock tax	20 00
Filing fees, 1953	13 00
Penalty on poll taxes	22 80

Received from state treasurer:

Account of growing wood and timber	4,061 54
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Received from the State of New Hampshire:

Reimbursement on loss of taxes on public forest land	74
Savings Bank tax	246 60
Railroad tax	431 54

Forest fires	493	50
Interest and dividends tax	2,253	36
Refund on head tax, 1953	47	70
Gas tax money for Class V highways	453	39

Received from:

Trustees of trust funds, Starkey gift fund	208	85
Mason Insurance Agency, refund	7	21
Walter St. John, refund on hospital bill	290	00
Lawrence Leach, pistol permit		50
Thomas Hatt, pistol permit		50
Interest on timber tax		6 10
Cheshire National Bank town notes	14,000	00
Land sold by vote of town	250	00
Refund from Timothy Chickering		35 00
Refund on Social Security 1952		45 44
Donation from Great Meadow Grange to apply on use of town hall for heat and lights		25 00
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		\$79,425 40

SUMMARY OF PAYMENTS — 1953

Town officers' salaries, including issuing of auto permits	\$1,705	00
Town officers' expenses	1,062	49
Election and registration		66 96
Town hall	2,142	78
Police department		12 80
Fire department	1,030	16
Blister rust control		
Damage by dogs		7 00
Bounties		47 00
Health department		50 00
Vital statistics		17 00
Street lights		313 78
General highway account	1,537	04
Libraries		200 00
Old age assistance	1,150	99
Town poor	1,155	62
Memorial Day		14 40
Parks and playgrounds	107	51

Cemeteries	131 34
Taxes bought by town	392 94
Cost of taxes bought	23 05
Town road aid	565 73
Snow removal and sanding	2,747 65
Interest on temporary loans	274 75
Barker park	40 00
Interest on long term notes	369 50
Paid on temporary loans	14,000 00
Payments to school district	23,250 39
Draper trust fund	208 85
Head tax paid to State of N. H.	2,553 13
County tax	2,156 37
U. S. Government tax	64 80
Tar account	2,529 71
Paid on long term notes	3,000 00
Summer road maintenance	4,991 38
Legal advice	195 39
Interest on taxes bought by town	16 02
Monadnock Region	78 00
Social Security account	324 74
Paid to County Commissioners refund on timber taxed	265 00
World War II Memorial fund	45 00
Gas tax money	259 82
Total	<hr/> \$69,104 09

TOWN OFFICERS' SALARIES

Thomas Hatt, salary	\$295 48
Donald A. Paine, salary	295 48
Lawrence A. Leach, salary	295 48
Thomas Hatt, making out reports	34 47
Donald Paine, making out reports	34 47
Lawrence Leach, making out reports	34 47
Charles H. Aldrich, salary	186 70
Ruth E. Burt, tax collector and town clerk	246 25
Ruth E. Burt, issuing auto permits	244 50
Ruth E. Burt, fee for collecting head tax	37 70
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TOWN OFFICERS' EXPENSES

Chase's Book Store, supplies	\$5 85
Association of N. H. Assessors, dues	3 00
Ashuelot-Citizens Nat. Bank, box rent	4 80
Nina Christian, postage	2 21
Chase's Book Store, supplies	4 07
Chase's Book Store, supplies	1 43
Esther Bennett, records	40
Sentinel Printing Co., town reports	359 85
Mason Insurance Co., bonds	17 60
Lawrence Leach, postage	7 60
Donald Paine, postage	5 02
Lois Leach, typing town reports, 1951 & 1952	29 55
Allan Britton, supplies	15
E. Eastman & Co., supplies	13 42
Mason Insurance Co.	84 60
F. Walker, transporting Timothy Chickering to Concord	35 00
Winfield Chaplin, transfer cards	15 20
Ida M. Horner, dues	3 00
Chase's Book Store, supplies	19 20
Mason Insurance Co., insurance	189 60
N. H. Town Clerks' Asso., dues	2 00
Chase's Book Store, supplies	12 34
Carl Barrett, Jr., clerical work	5 00
Winfield Chaplin, mortgage records	4 00
Sentinel Printing Co., auction notices	15 30
Glenn Britton, supplies	1 25
Charles Aldrich, postage	25 00
Lawrence Leach, overseer of poor	54 60
Ruth Burt, postage and expenses	82 35
Walter Dunn, auditor	29 55
Nina Christian, auditor	29 55
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Total	\$1,062 49

ELECTION AND REGISTRATION

Annie Shelley, supervisor of check list	\$9 85
Nina Christian, ballot clerk	4 92
Paul D. King, moderator	14 77

Ruth K. Churchill, asst. moderator	7 88
Nellie F. Aldrich, ballot clerk	4 92
Mary Hatt, ballot clerk	4 92
Merton C. Leach, supervisor of check list	19 70

	\$66 96

TOWN HALL

Perley Safford, bottled gas	\$50 00
Public Service Co. of N. H., lights	69 15
Hope Coal Co., coal	510 29
J. R. Fredette, janitor	425 47
Allen Britton, supplies	2 34
Hope Coal Co., coal	82 05
Treasurer School District, half repairs on pump	4 82
Farm Bureau Insurance Co., insurance	195 58
Harold Pierce, insurance	213 36
Cheshire Gas Service, bottled gas	15 35
Holland Furnace Co., furnace work	50 00
Alfred Perry, repairs on roof	45 70
Mason Insurance Co., insurance	68 40
Paul Hatt, electrical work	34 34
Edward White, carpenter work	2 95
Henry G. Neugebauer, electrical work	18 55
New England Tel. & Tel. Co.	92 85
Mason Insurance Co., insurance	164 40
G. E. Britton, supplies	3 23
Robert L. Blood, wood	40 00
Harry Allen, wood	54 00

	\$2,142 78

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Arthur Hatt, constable, town meeting	\$9 85
Arthur Hatt, police services	2 95

	\$12 80

FIRE DEPARTMENT

City of Keene fire department	\$35 00
Walter Campbell, care of fire truck	10 50

A. A. Britton, supplies	7 54
Mass. Bonding Co., insurance firemen	116 40
R. R. Express Co., express on Indian pumps	4 30
M. S. Perkins Machine Co., siren	100 00
Lawrence Leach, fire bill	42 75
Edward Burbine, supplies	6 00
Carpenter Mfg. Co., supplies	2 52
State of N. H., fire pumps	71 34
Keene Mfg. Co., supplies	45 00
James A. Coffin, supplies	39 41
Harold O. Pierce, insurance	107 00
Edward Comerford, treas. fire dept., new equip.	64 00
John H. Terry, signs	12 00
Fire Protection Co., supplies	17 85
Paul Hatt, labor and supplies	32 89
N. H. Safety & Fire Equipment, supplies	23 69
Guy Blanchard, supplies	36 64
Lyle McClenning, labor	12 72
Edward Comerford, supplies	3 82
Carl Messer, care of fire truck	92 46
G. E. Britton, supplies	16 33
Fire Protection Co., hose	130 00

	\$1,030 16

BOUNTIES

Thomas W. Hatt, bounties paid	\$7 50
Donald A. Paine, bounties paid	18 50
Lawrence A. Leach, bounties paid	21 00

	\$47 00

DAMAGE BY DOGS

Clarence Blanchard, one goose	\$7 00
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HEALTH DEPARTMENT

Frank A. Hubner, bulldozer at dump	\$45 00
Edna M. Paine, health officer services	5 00

	\$50 00

VITAL STATISTICS

Ruth E. Burt, records	\$17 00
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STREET LIGHTS

Public Service Co. of N. H., street lights	\$313 78
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GENERAL HIGHWAY ACCOUNT

R. C. Hazelton Co., supplies	\$107 56
Albert Fletcher, grader parts	231 28
Perkins, Bassett & Wright, fan belt	4 92
Charles Messer, labor Spofford road washout	82 00
Guy Blanchard, supplies	121 78
State of N. H., calcium chloride	342 92
Harold O. Pierce Insurance on grader	83 90
Keene Sand & Gravel Co., sand	7 35
Hill Martain Corp., repairs for grader	42 10
Morrissey Bros. Co., repairs	53 68
Berger Metal Culvert Co.	458 74
G. E. Britton, supplies	81
	\$1,537 04

LIBRARIES

Paid Lucy Thompson, treasurer	\$200 00
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OLD AGE ASSISTANCE

Paid State of N. H. Dept., public welfare	\$1,150 99
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TOWN POOR

Elliot Community Hospital, care Walter St. John	\$398 53
A. A. Britton, supplies, May Cushing and Francis Butterfield	49 76
Public Service Co. of N. H., Mrs. Canterbury	27 16
Paul G. Kennett, gas, Mrs. Canterbury	25 00
Ina Warren, rent for Mrs. Canterbury	220 00
G. E. Britton, groceries, Mrs. Canterbury	219 69
C. J. Wilder, milk, Mrs. Canterbury	18 32
Guy Blanchard, oil, Mrs. Canterbury	80 97
N. E. Tel. & Tel. Co., Mrs. Canterbury	30 47
Guy Blanchard, oil for Wilber and Canterbury	36 63
Dr. W. H. Tatem, care of Leslie Wilber	2 00

G. E. Britton, groceries, Mrs. Canterbury and Leslie Wilber	47 09
	\$1,155 62
MEMORIAL DAY	
Chase's Book Store, flags	\$14 40
PARKS AND PLAYGROUNDS	
Hedge & Matheius, repairs on mower	\$6 36
Chase Tree Service, spraying trees	10 00
R. N. Johnson, repairing mower	12 58
T. H. Paine, mowing town commons	75 43
G. E. Britton, supplies	3 14
	\$107 51
BARKER PARK	
Paid Frank Hubner for bulldozing road and parking lot	\$40 00
CEMETERIES	
Neal Shelley, mowing, East Westmoreland cemetery	\$29 55
Linwood Burt, cemetery work	32 25
Merton Leach, cemetery work	14 77
T. H. Paine, mowing cemeteries	24 77
Charles H. Aldrich, cemetery work	30 00
	\$131 34
LEGAL ADVICE	
W. H. Watson, 1952 and 1953	\$140 39
Arthur Olson	55 00
	\$195 39
TAXES BOUGHT BY TOWN	
Tax sale of 1953 on 1952 taxes	\$392 94
Cost of taxes bought by town	23 05
Interest on taxes bought by town	16 02
	\$432 01
TOWN ROAD AID	
Expended by Charles Messer, foreman	\$565 73

INTEREST ACCOUNT

Cheshire National Bank, interest, temporary loans	\$274 75
Cheshire National Bank, interest, long term notes	97 50
Vermont Peoples National Bank, interest, long term notes	272 00

	\$654 25

TEMPORARY LOANS

(In Anticipation of Taxes)

Borrowed from Cheshire National Bank	\$14,000 00
Paid Cheshire National Bank	14,000 00

SCHOOL ACCOUNT

Balance due schools on January 1, 1954	\$27,712 35
Raised from support of schools, 1952-53	31,712 35
Paid on '52-'53 appropriation	19,250 39
Paid on '53-'54 appropriation	4,000 00
Total paid in 1953	23,250 39

STARKEY TRUST FUND ACCOUNT

Received from trustees of trust funds	\$208 85
This money was distributed by the Selectmen to several deserving families and elderly people in town.	

HEAD TAX ACCOUNT

Paid State of N. H. for head taxes	\$2,553 13
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MONADNOCK REGION ACCOUNT

Paid Monadnock Region Association	\$78 00
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COUNTY TAX

Paid Cheshire County Commissioners, county tax	\$2,156 37
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U. S. GOVERNMENT TAX ON HELP

Due Collector of Internal Revenue	\$64 80
Paid Collector	\$64 80

SOCIAL SECURITY ACCOUNT

Paid State of N. H. Dept. of Public Welfare	\$324 74
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TAR ACCOUNT

Paid Frank A. Hubner	\$55 00
Paid Trimount Bituminous Tar Co., tar for roads	2,474 71
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	\$2,529 71

Paid to the Commissioners of Cheshire County the sum of \$265.00 as a rebate on mature Timber Taxes taxed in 1951, per order of the State Tax Commission.

WORLD WAR II MEMORIAL FUND

Paid Frank A. Hubner for work on parking lot at the town hall	\$45 00
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GAS TAX MONEY

Received from State of N. H.	\$453 39
Paid Berger Metal Culvert Co., for culvert	259 82
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Balance expended by road agents on town roads	\$193 57

SNOW REMOVAL AND SANDING

Expended by Leon McClening	\$475 31
Expended by Charles Messer	831 65
Expended by Edwin King	990 49
Paid Sunshine Feed Stores for salt	450 20
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	\$2,747 65

ROAD MAINTENANCE SUMMER

Expended by Leon McClening	\$2,055 37
Expended by Charles Messer	1,710 02
Expended by Edwin King	1,225 99
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	\$4,991 38

LONG TERM NOTES

Paid Cheshire National Bank on grader note	\$500 00
Paid Vermont Peoples National Band, road note	2,000 00
Paid Cheshire National Bank, Aldrich bridge note	500 00
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	\$3,000 00

OUTSTANDING NOTES

Cheshire National Bank:

April, 1950, grader	\$2,500 00	due \$1,000 00
November 28, 1951	2,500	due 1,500 00
For Kirk Aldrich Bridge.		

Vermont Peoples National Bank:

May 20, 1947, River road note	12,600	due 11,600 00
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SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY

Town hall and equipment	\$35,000 00
Library and buildings	3,700 00
Fire department	5,000 00
School department, land and buildings	15,000 00
Road equipment	2,500 00
Police department	50 00

REPORT OF ROAD AGENTS

CHARLES W. MESSER

JANUARY 1953, SNOW BILL

Charles Messer, 101 hrs @ \$2.00	\$202 00
Charles Messer, 48 hrs. @ \$2.50	120 00
Charles Messer, anti-freeze grader	3 50
Wesley Staples, 128 hrs. @ \$1.00	128 00
Charles Adams, 4 hrs. @ \$2.50	10 00
Walter Post, 60 yds. sand	6 00
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	\$469 50

FEBRUARY 1953, SNOW BILL

Charles Messer, 15 hrs. @ \$2.00	\$30 00
Elwin Messer, 3 hrs. @ \$1.00	3 00
Wesley Staples, 3 hrs. @ \$1.00	3 00
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	\$36 00

MARCH 1953, SNOW BILL

Charles Messer, 54 hrs. @ \$1.00	\$54 00
Charles Messer, 45 hrs. @ \$1.00	45 00
Wesley Staples, 14 hrs. @ \$1.00	14 00
Elwin Messer, 11 hrs. @ \$1.00	11 00
Thomas Hatt, 20 hrs. @ \$1.00	20 00
Robert Hatt, 9 hrs. @ \$1.00	9 00
Edwin King, 24 hrs. @ \$1.00	24 00
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	\$177 00

APRIL 1953, SNOW BILL

Charles Messer, 8 hrs. @ \$1.00	\$8 00
Elwin Messer, 4 hrs. @ \$1.00	4 00
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	\$12 00

APRIL MAINTENANCE

Charles Messer, 156 hrs. @ \$1.00	\$156 00
Charles Messer, gas for grader	5 60
Elwin Messer, 33 hrs. @ \$1.00	33 00
Thomas Hatt, 24 hrs. @ \$1.00	24 00
Walter Post, sand, 60 yds @ 10c	6 00
Lawrence Russell, sand, 18 yds. @ 10c	1 80
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	\$226 40

JUNE 1953, MAINTENANCE

Charles Messer, 34 hrs. @ \$2.50	\$85 00
Charles Messer, 9 hrs. @ \$1.00	9 00
Elwin Messer, 8 hrs. @ \$1.00	8 00
Edwin King, 5 hrs. @ \$1.00	5 00
Leon McClening, 5 hrs. @ \$1.00	5 00
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	\$112 00

TARRING

Charles Messer, 19 hrs. @ \$2.50	\$47 50
Charles Messer, gas	7 20
Leon McClening, 19 hrs. @ \$2.50	47 50
Leon McClening, sander use	5 00
Starr Greeley, 19 hrs. @ \$1.00	19 00
Merton Leach, 19 hrs. @ \$1.00	19 00
Edwin King, 10 hrs. @ \$2.50	25 00
Orin Harvey, 10 hrs. @ \$1.00	10 00
Lawrence Russell, sand	4 00
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	\$184 50

MAINTENANCE, JULY 1953

Charles Messer, 24 hrs. @ \$2.00	\$48 00
Thomas Hatt, 9 hrs. @ \$1.00	9 00
Edwin King, 2 hrs. @ \$1.00	2 00
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Charles Messer, 102 hrs. @ \$1.00	\$59 00
Elwin Messer, 24 hrs. @ \$1.00	\$102 00
Paul Hatt, 8 hrs. @ \$1.00	24 00
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	\$134 00

SPOFFORD ROAD FILL

Leon McClening, 20½ hrs. @ \$1.00	\$20 50
Leon McClening, 20½ hrs. @ \$2.70	55 35
Thomas Hatt, 20½ hrs. @ \$1.00	20 50
Edwin King, 20½ hrs. @ \$1.70	35 35
Harold King, 20½ hrs. @ \$1.00	20 50
Arthur Whitecomb, 19½ hrs. @ \$8.00	156 00
Lawrence Russell, gravel, 350 yds. @ 10c	35 00

	\$343 20

MAINTENANCE

Charles Messer, 38 hrs. @ \$1.00	\$38 00
Elwin Messer, 26 hrs. @ \$1.00	26 00
Charles Messer, gas for grader	6 00
2 qts. oil	50

TOWN HALL FILL

Harold Stoddard, 2 hrs. @ \$4.50	\$9 00
Edward Willette, 2 hrs. @ \$3.90	7 80
Leon McClening, 2 hrs. @ \$3.30	6 60
Frank Hubner, 2 hrs. @ \$3.90	7 80

	\$31 20

ELM TREE REMOVAL AT WATKINS

Leon McClening, 5 hrs. @ \$1.00	\$5 00
Leon McClening, 5 hrs. @ \$2.70	13 00
Thomas Hatt, 5 hrs. @ \$1.00	5 00
Edwin King, 5 hrs. @ \$1.70	8 50
Harold King, 5 hrs. @ \$1.00	5 00

	\$37 00

MAINTENANCE

Charles Messer, 45 hrs. @ \$1.00	\$45 00
Charles Messer, 12 hrs. @ \$1.50	18 00
Starr Greeley, 45 hrs. @ \$1.00	45 00
Charles Messer, gas for grader	3 00
Thomas Hatt, 3 hrs. @ \$1.00	3 00

	\$114 00

MAINTENANCE

Charles Messer, 50 hrs. @ \$1.00	\$50 00
Charles Messer, 30 gal. gas and 5 qts. oil	9 50
Starr Greeley, 50 hrs. @ \$1.00	50 00
Elwin Messer, 2 hrs. @ \$1.00	2 00
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	\$111 50

CULVERT ON GLEBE ROAD

Charles Messer, 48 hrs. @ \$1.00	\$48 00
Thomas Hatt, 43 hrs. @ \$1.00	43 00
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	\$91 00

MAINTENANCE

Charles Messer, 76 hrs. @ \$1.00	\$76 00
Elwin Messer, 20 hrs. @ \$1.00	20 00
Lawrence Russell, gravel, 100 yds. @ \$.10	10 00
Walter Post, gravel 20 yds. @ \$.10	2 00
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	\$108 00

SNOW BILL

Charles Messer, 20 hrs. @ \$1.50	\$30 00
Charles Messer, 20 hrs. @ \$1.00	20 00
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Charles Messer, 22 hrs. @ \$1.50	\$50 00
Charles Messer, 44 hrs. @ \$1.00	\$33 00
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	\$77 00

MAINTENANCE

Leon McClening, 4 hrs. @ \$1.00	\$4 00
Elwin Messer, 4 hrs. @ \$1.00	4 00
Thomas Hatt, 5 hrs. @ \$1.00	5 00
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Charles Messer, 26 hrs. @ \$1.00	\$13 00
Charles Messer, 26 hrs. @ \$1.50	\$26 00
Elwin Messer, 10 hrs. @ \$1.00	39 00
Frank Van Buren, 2 hrs. @ \$1.00	10 00
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	\$77 00

WINTER BILL

Charles Messer, 17 hrs. @ \$1.00	\$17 00
Elwin Messer, 7 hrs @ \$1.00	7 00
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	\$24 00

LEON McCLENING ROAD ACCOUNT—WINTER

January 1953

Leon McClening, plowing, 53 hrs. @ \$2.50	\$132 50
Leon McClening, sanding, 33½ hrs. @ \$2.00	67 00
Charlie Davidson, labor, 35½ hrs. @ \$1.00	35 50
Robert Knights, labor, 20 hrs. @ \$1.00	20 00
Raymond Aldrich, labor, 4 hrs. @ \$1.00	4 00
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	\$259 00

February 1953

Leon McClening, labor, 14 hrs. @ \$1.00	\$14 00
Leon McClening, truek, 4 hrs. lb \$1.50	6 00
Leon McClening, labor, 10 hrs. lb \$1.00	10 00
Charlie Davidson, labor, 10 hrs. @ \$1.00	10 00
Robert Knights, labor, 3 hrs. @ \$1.00	3 00
Raymond Aldrich, labor, 6 hrs. @ \$1.00	6 00
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	\$49 00

WINTER 1953

December

Leon McClening, truck, 26 hrs. @ \$1.00	\$26 00
Leon McClening, labor, 38 hrs. @ \$1.00	38 00
Starr Greeley, labor, 24 hrs. @ \$1.00	24 00
Charles Davidson, labor, 9 hrs. @ \$1.00	9 00
Raymond Aldrich, labor, 12 hrs. @ \$1.00	12 00
Charles Messer, truck, 3 hrs. @ \$1.00	3 00
Charles Messer, labor, 3 hrs. @ \$1.00	3 00
Robert Knights, labor, 2 hrs. @ \$1.00	2 00
Leon McClening, 22 gal. gas @ \$.26½	5 83
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	\$122 83

DIRT ROAD 1953
March 31-April 4

Leon McCleining, truck, 16 hrs. @ \$1.00	\$16 00
Leon McCleining, labor, 40 hrs. @ \$1.00	40 00
Starr Greeley, labor, 40 hrs. @ \$1.00	40 00
Charlie Davidson, labor, 14 hrs. @ \$1.00	14 00
Robert Knights, labor, 8 hrs. @ \$1.00	8 00
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	\$118 00

April 4—May 2

Leon McCleining, truck, 44 hrs. @ \$1.00	\$44 00
Leon McCleining, labor, 81 hrs. @ \$1.00	81 00
Leon McCleining, gas, 51 gal. @ \$.25	12 75
Starr Greeley, labor, 89 hrs. @ \$1.00	89 00
L. W. Churchill, gravel, 16 yds. @ \$.10	1 60
L. Russell, gravel, 18 yds. @ \$.10	1 80
Edw. Willette, gravel, 55 yds. @ \$.10	5 50
Katherine Embree, gravel, 30 yds. @ \$.10	3 00
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	\$238 65

May 4—June

Leon McCleining, truck, 16 hrs. @ \$1.00	\$16 00
Leon McCleining, labor, 45 hrs. @ \$1.00	45 00
Leon McCleining, gas, 36 gal. @ \$.25	9 00
Starr Greeley, labor, 45 hrs. @ \$1.00	45 00
Edw. Willette, gravel, 15 yds. @ \$.10	1 50
Charles Messer, truck, 6 hrs. @ \$1.00	6 00
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	\$122 50

August

Starr Greeley, cutting brush, 111 hrs. @ \$1.00	\$111 00
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	\$111 00

November 3-6

Leon McCleining, labor, 32 hrs. @ \$1.00	\$32 00
Leon McCleining, truck, 4 hrs. @ \$1.00	4 00
Leon McCleining, gas, 30 gal. @ \$.26	7 80
Starr Greeley, labor, 28 hrs. @ \$1.00	28 00
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	\$71 80

November 9-12

Leon McClening, truck, 4 hrs. @ \$1.00	\$4 00
Leon McClening, labor, 28 hrs. @ \$1.00	28 00
Leon McClening, gas 25 gal. @ \$.26	6 50
Starr Greeley, labor, 28 hrs. @ \$1.00	28 00
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	\$66 50

December

Leon McClening, truck, 16 hrs. @ \$1.00	\$16 00
Leon McClening, labor, 16 hrs. @ \$1.00	16 00
Leon McClening, gas	2 60
Starr Greeley, labor, 16 hrs. @ \$1.00	16 00
L. W. Churchill, gravel, 64 yds @ \$.10	6 40
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	\$57 00

Dutton Hill (October)

Leon McClening, labor, 32 hrs. @ \$1.00	\$32 00
Leon McClening, truck, 20 hrs. @ \$1.00	20 00
Leon McClening, gas for grader, 20 gal. @ \$.26	5 20
Starr Greeley, labor, 28 hrs. @ \$1.00	28 00
Merton Leach, labor, 28 hrs. @ \$1.00	28 00
Merton Leach, gravel, 96 yds. @ \$.10	9 60
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	\$122 80

Town Dump (May)

Leon McClening, truck, 8 hrs. @ \$1.00	\$8 00
Leon McClening, labor, 8 hrs. @ \$1.00	8 00
Starr Greeley, labor, 8 hrs. @ \$1.00	8 00
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	\$24 00

TAR ROADS

April

Leon McClening, truck, 20 hrs. @ \$1.00	\$20 00
Leon McClening, labor, 28 hrs. @ \$1.00	28 00
Starr Greeley, labor, 34 hrs. @ \$1.00	34 00
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	\$82 00

May—June 6

Leon McClening, truck, 22 hrs. @ \$1.00	\$22 00
Leon McClening, labor, 39 hrs. @ \$1.00	39 00
Leon McClening, gas, 18 gal. @ \$.25	4 50
Starr Greeley, labor, 63 hrs. @ \$1.00	63 00
Charles Messer, labor, 8 hrs. @ \$1.00	8 00
Charles Messer, truck, 8 hrs. @ \$1.00	8 00
Edwin King, truck, 8 hrs. @ \$1.00	8 00
Edwin King, labor, 8 hrs. @ \$1.00	8 00

\$160 50

June-July 1

Leon McClening, truck, 33 hrs. @ \$1.50	\$49 50
Leon McClening, labor, 33 hrs. @ \$1.00	33 00
Leon McClening, truck, 24 hrs. @ \$1.00	24 00
Leon McClening, gas for grader, \$2.50 & \$4.68	7 18
Starr Greeley, labor, 91 hrs. @ \$1.00	91 00
Charles Messer, truck, 33 hrs. @ \$1.50	49 50
Charles Messer, labor, 33 hrs. @ \$1.00	33 00
Edwin King, truck, 33 hrs. @ \$1.50	49 50
Edwin King, labor, 33 hrs. @ \$1.00	33 00
Merton Leach, labor, 33 hrs @ \$1.00	33 00
Charlie Davidson, labor, 12 hrs. @ \$1.00	12 00
Robert Knights, labor, 12 hrs. @ \$1.00	12 00
Lawrence Russell, gravel, 150 yds. @ \$.10	15 00

\$441 68

July

Leon McClening, truck, 12 hrs. @ \$1.00	\$12 00
Starr Greeley, cutting brush, 84 hrs. @ \$1.00	84 00
Leon McClening, labor, 12 hrs. @ \$1.00	12 00
Charlie Davidson, labor, 12 hrs. @ \$1.00	12 00
Robert Knights, 2 hrs. @ \$1.00	2 00

\$122 00

October-November 2

Leon McClening, truck, 15 hrs. @ \$1.00	\$15 00
Leon McClening, labor, 33 hrs. @ \$1.00	33 00
Leon McClening, gas, 15 gal. @ \$.26	3 90

Charlie Davidson, labor, 22 hrs. @ \$1.00	22 00
Starr Greeley, labor, 17 hrs. @ \$1.00	17 00
Robert Knights, labor, 15 hrs. @ \$1.00	15 00
Merton Leach, labor, 9 hrs. @ \$1.00	9 00
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	\$114 90

November-December 5

Leon McClening, truck, 36 hrs. @ \$1.00	\$36 00
Leon McClening, labor, 52 hrs. @ \$1.00	52 00
Starr Greeley, labor, 50 hrs. @ \$1.00	50 00
Charlie Davidson, labor, 20 hrs. @ \$1.00	20 00
Robert Knights, labor, 10 hrs. @ \$1.00	10 00
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	\$168 00

December

Leon McClening, truck, 32 hrs. @ \$1.00	\$32 00
Leon McClening, labor, 32 hrs. @ \$1.00	32 00
Starr Greeley, labor, 16 hrs. @ \$1.00	16 00
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	\$80 00

EDWIN H. KING ACCOUNT

Winter—January 1953

Edwin King, 90 hrs. @ \$2.50	\$225 00
Edwin King, 57 hrs. @ \$2.00	114 00
Harold King, 32 hrs. @ \$1.00	32 00
A. F. Hudson, 17 hrs. @ \$2.50	42 50
J. K. Aldrich, 17 hrs. @ \$2.50	42 50
Charles Messer, 24 hrs. @ \$2.00	48 00
Elwin Messer, 24 hrs. @ \$1.00	24 00
Wesley Staples, 24 hrs. @ \$1.00	24 00
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	\$552 00

February 1953

Edwin King, 95 hrs. \$2 00	\$190 00
Paul King, 15 hrs. @ \$1.00	15 00
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	\$205 00

DIRT ROADS

Maintenance March 1953

Edwin King, 46 hrs. @ \$2.00	\$92 00
Edwin King, 34 hrs. @ \$1.00	34 00
Harvey Garrapy, 21 hrs. @ \$1.00	21 00
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	\$147 00

Maintenance April 1953

Edwin King, 32 hrs. @ \$2.00	\$64 00
Harvey Garrapy, 15 hrs. @ \$1.00	15 00
Paul King, 15 hrs. @ \$1.00	15 00
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	\$94 00

Maintenance May 1953

Edwin King, 44 hrs. @ \$2.00	\$88 00
Edwin King, 32 hrs. @ \$1.00	32 00
Leon McClening, 8 hrs. @ \$2.00	16 00
Paul King, 14 hrs. @ \$1.00	14 00
George Perry, 8 hrs. @ \$1.00	8 00
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	\$158 00

Maintenance June 1953

Edwin King, 20 hrs. @ \$2.00	\$40 00
Paul King, 15 hrs. @ \$1.00	15 00
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	\$55 00

Maintenance July 1953

Edwin King, 32 hrs. @ \$1.00	\$32 00
Paul King, 18 hrs. @ \$1.00	18 00
J. K. Aldrich, 15 hrs. @ \$1.00	15 00
Charles Messer, 3 hrs. @ \$2.00	6 00
Harold King, 16 hrs. @ \$1.00	16 00
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	\$87 00

Maintenance November 1953

Edwin King, 16 hrs. @ \$2.50	\$40 00
Edwin King, 46 hrs. @ \$1.00	46 00
Charles Messer, 18 hrs. @ \$2.50	45 00
Charles Messer, 34 hrs. @ \$1.00	34 00
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	\$165 00

Homer Seward, gravel, 70 yds. @ \$.10	\$7 00
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Tarr Road

Edwin King, 16 hrs. @ \$1.00	\$16 00
Edwin King, 4 hrs. @ \$2.00	8 00
Paul King, 12 hrs. @ \$1.00	12 00
Starr Greeley, 8 hrs. @ \$1.00	8 00
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	\$44 00

Tarring

Edwin King, 31 hrs. @ \$2.50	\$77 50
Charles Messer, 22 hrs. @ \$2.50	55 00
Leon McClening, 22 hrs. @ \$2.50	55 00
Leon McClening, gas	13 00
Starr Greeley, 22 hrs. @ \$1.00	22 00
Merton Leach, 22 hrs. @ \$1.00	22 00
Orin Harvey, 17 hrs. @ \$1.00	17 00
Lawrence Russell, gravel, 90 yds. @ \$.10	9 00
Homer Seward, gravel, 45 yds. @ \$.10	4 50
Edwin King, gas and oil	4 95
Charles Messer, gas and oil	4 50
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	\$284 45

Kirk Aldrich Bridge

Edwin King, 4 hrs. @ \$2.00	\$8 00
Edwin King, 6 hrs. @ \$1.00	6 00
Charles Messer, 6 hrs. @ \$1.00	6 00
George Perry, 4 hrs. @ \$2.00	8 00
Edwin King, 2,000 ft. plank	168 00
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\$196 00

Snow Bill, December 1953

Charles Perham, 24 hrs. @ \$1.00	\$24 00
Edwin King, 24 hrs. @ \$1.50	36 00
Edwin King, snow plow repair	7 44
Edwin King, 16 hrs. @ \$1.00	16 00
Paul King, 8 hrs. @ \$1.00	8 00
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\$91 44

STATEMENT OF TRUST FUND EXPENDITURES

For the Year Ending December 31, 1953

Lucy Thompson, library treasurer, Lord Fund	\$60 45
East Westmoreland Cemetery Asso. care of lots	58 00
Thornton H. Paine, care of Gline cemetery and lots	24 00
Helen Terry, Briggs Christmas Fund interest	30 23
Charles Staples, care of Lord Cemetery and new gate	20 40
Marjorie Hudson, School District Treasurer	110 75
Lucy Thompson, Library Treasurer	75 56
East Westmoreland Union Meeting House Asso.	18 13
Town of Westmoreland, Starkey Gift Fund interest	208 85
Linwood Burt, care of lots in Village Cemetery	143 00
Seldon B. Lund, care of Barrows lot	3 00
Merton C. Leach, care of lots in Pratt Cemetery	6 50
Charles H. Aldrich, care of lots and setting stone	54 00
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	\$812 87

CHARLES H. ALDRICH,
Treasurer of Trustees.

REPORT OF TRUST FUNDS

For Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 1953

This is to certify that the information contained in this report is complete and correct to the best of our knowledge and belief.

CHARLES H. ALDRICH,
NELLIE F. C. ALDRICH,
MAUDE E. MESSER.

REPORT OF THE TRUST FUNDS OF WESTMORELAND, N. H., DECEMBER 31, 1953

Creation of TRUST FUNDS— PURPOSE OF CREATION	HOW INVESTED	Beginning Year		Rate of Interest on Principal Beginning Year	Balance of Income on Hand at End of Year	Expenditure During Year	Balance of Income on Hand at End of Year
		Amount of Principal Beginning Year	Amount of Income Beginning Year				
1816 Jotham Lord Fund, interest as town may vote	Walpole Savings Bank	\$2,000.00	3	\$60.45	\$60.45	\$0.45	\$60.45
1817 Elijahates Fox fund for schools	" "	1,000.00	3	30.23	30.23		
1829 Town literary fund for schools	" 1,772.67	891.67	3	53.57	53.57		
1830 Henry Estey fund for schools	" "	300.00	3	26.95	26.95		
1895 Charlotte West fund for care of cemetery lot	Keene Savings Bank	100.00	3	9.06	12.00		
1904 Lucy Stratton fund for care of cemetery lot	" "	100.00	3	11.62	4.00		
1907 Mary A. Graves fund for care of cemetery lot	" "	100.00	3	3.02	8.00		
1908 Frank A. Ware fund for care of cemetery lot	Walpole Savings Bank	100.00	3	28.46	3.02		
1914 Frank T. Cole fund for outlying cemeteries	" "	500.00	3	77.48	4.00		
1914 Julia A. Britton Brown fund for cemetery lot	Keene Savings Bank	200.00	3	40.31	67.19		
1914 Willard Gline fund for care cemetery lot	Walpole Savings Bank	132.00	3	15.30	67.19		
1916 Lucia M. Hunt fund for care cemetery lot	Keene Savings Bank	100.00	3	20.90	8.00		
1916 Emily Estey fund for care cemetery lot	" "	200.00	3	22.41	3.02		
1916 Louisa F. Shelley fund for care cemetery lot	Walpole Savings Bank	50.00	3	1.83	6.05		
1917 Martha Wood Burr fund for library	" "	500.00	3	15.11	1.50		
1918 Oliver L. Briggs fund for library	" "	2,000.00	3	60.45	1.83		
1918 Oliver L. Briggs fund for Christinas	" "	1,000.00	3	30.23	30.23		
1918 Oliver L. Briggs fund for cemetery lot	Keene Savings Bank	200.00	3	57.57	6.05		
1919 Laura Kennedy fund for cemetery lot	" "	50.00	3	1.68	1.50		
1920 J. E. Buffum fund for cemetery lot	" "	100.00	3	17.61	3.02		
1920 Curtis G. Britton fund for cemetery lot	" "	100.00	3	2.69	3.02		
1923 Manley P. Hutton fund for cemetery lot	" "	100.00	3	19.36	3.02		
1923 Earl Warren fund for cemetery lot	" "	100.00	3	19.42	3.02		
1923 Sabrina B. Aldrich fund for cemetery lot	" "	100.00	3	3.00	14.00		
1925 Agnes B. Pierce fund for cemetery lot	" "	50.00	3	2.31	8.44		
1925 Eli C. Wellington fund for cemetery lot	" "	100.00	3	11.25	3.00		
1925 William J. Hall fund for cemetery lot	Walpole Savings Bank	100.00	3	6.87	3.02		
1928 Adelia M. Barrows fund for cemetery lot	Keene Savings Bank	100.00	3	17.20	3.02		
1929 Adine C. Buffum fund for cemetery lot	Walpole Savings Bank	100.00	3	2.74	3.02		
1929 Martha A. Aldrich fund for cemetery lot	" "	100.00	3	1.45	3.02		
1929 Jasper Hall fund for cemetery lot	Keene Savings Bank	200.00	3	40.58	6.05		
1929 Charles Hager fund for cemetery lot	" "	100.00	3	1.49	25.00		
						21.63	
						3.00	1.51

Date of Creation	Trust Funds— Purpose of Creation	How Invested		Amount of Principal on Hand at Year End	Rate of Interest Determining Year	Balance of Income on Hand at Year End	Expenditure During Year	Determining Year Income	Balance of Income on Hand at Year End
		Amount of Principal Invested	Rate of Interest						
1930	Fannie E. Cole fund for cemetery lot	Walpole Savings Bank	100.00	\$ 9	2.37	\$ 3.02	3.00	2.39	
1932	Isa M. Capron fund for cemetery lot	"	50.00	3	1.47	1.50	1.50	1.47	
1932	Carroll F. Capron fund for cemetery lot	"	44	3	1.95	3.02	4.00	1.97	
1932	Mary Callahan fund for cemetery lot	"	44	3	1.95	3.02	4.00	4.40	
1932	Edgar F. Dean fund for cemetery lot	"	44	3	1.95	4.02	4.53	6.55	
1932	Richard D. Greene fund for cemetery lot	"	44	3	250.00	6.02	12.00	2.29	
1932	L. J. D. Smith fund for cemetery lot	"	44	3	250.00	6.74	7.55	12.00	
1932	Nellie C. Holman fund for cemetery lot	"	44	3	100.00	3	4.33	3.02	
1934	Cornelia E. Leach fund for cemetery lot	"	44	3	100.00	3	1.60	3.00	
1934	Charles L. Craig fund for cemetery lot	"	44	3	100.00	3	2.70	3.00	
1935	William S. Starkey gift fund for needy	"	44	3	3,601.66	3	2.20	3.00	
1935	Ralph E. Proctor fund for cemetery lot	U. S. Govt. Bonds, Walpole Savings Bank	4,000.00	2 1/2	3	108.85	108.85	108.85	
1935	Mary E. Sargent fund for cemetery lot	"	200.00	3	200.00	3	100.00	100.00	
1937	Charles H. Park fund for cemetery lot	"	136.18	3	14.74	6.05	6.50	14.29	
1937	Ella E. Abbott fund for cemetery lot	"	100.00	3	9.32	4.11	6.00	7.43	
1937	John R. & Perry W. Butt fund for cemetery lot	Keene Savings Bank	200.00	3	3.66	3.02	3.00	3.68	
1937	Frank E. Aldrich fund for cemetery lot	Walpole Savings Bank	200.00	3	35.20	6.05	20.00	21.25	
1938	Forrest W. Hall fund for cemetery lot	"	200.00	3	3.21	6.05	9.00	9.00	
1939	Frank P. Hall fund for cemetery lot	Keene Savings Bank	100.00	3	8.41	6.05	8.00	6.46	
1940	Flora L. Butt fund for cemetery lot	"	50.00	3	1.45	3.02	3.00	1.47	
1941	Caius K. Hall fund for cemetery fund	"	100.00	3	3.54	1.50	2.50	3.57	
1942	William A. Graves fund for cemetery lot	Walpole Savings Bank	100.00	3	1.78	3.02	3.00	1.80	
1943	Edward C. Greene fund for cemetery lot	Keene Savings Bank	200.00	3	3.10	3.02	3.00	3.12	
1943	William H. Parker fund for cemetery lot	Walpole Savings Bank	100.00	3	12.59	6.05	5.00	13.64	
1943	Emma J. Atherton fund for cemetery lot	Keene Savings Bank	100.00	3	1.12	3.02	3.00	1.14	
1944	Jessie M. B. Joslin fund for cemetery lot	"	100.00	3	8.22	3.02	3.50	7.74	
1944	Miles J. Brington fund for cemetery lot	"	100.00	3	1.14	3.02	3.00	1.16	
1945	Zenas E. Cobleigh fund for cemetery lot	Walpole Savings Bank	150.00	3	1.46	3.02	3.00	1.48	
1945	Vinnie Cobleigh Simmons fund for cemetery lot	"	100.00	3	5.11	4.53	4.50	5.14	
1946	Victor M. Hall fund for Union Church	Keene Savings Bank	500.00	3	1.42	3.02	3.00	1.44	
1946	Lephie E. Pierce fund for cemetery lot	Walpole Savings Bank	50.00	3	1.25	15.11	15.11		
1947	Walter Dunbar fund for cemetery lot	"	100.00	3	2.24	1.50	1.50	.25	
1947	Sarah M. K. Hall fund for cemetery lot	Keene Savings Bank	100.00	3	6.74	3.02	3.00	.26	
1947	Sarah M. K. Hall fund for Union Church	Walpole Savings Bank	100.00	3	.30	3.02	3.02	7.76	
1949	James & Sarah (Jackson) Keith cemetery lot	"	100.00	3	.30	3.02	3.25	.07	
1949	J. W. & Abigail M. Keith cemetery lot	"	44	3	.30	3.02	3.25	.07	
1949	Kenneth E. Bundy fund for cemetery lot	"	50.00	3	.26	1.50	1.50	.26	
1949	Prentiss Daggett fund for cemetery lot	"	100.00	3	17.94	3.02	3.00	16.44	
	Walter Hutchins fund for cemetery lot	"	100.00	3	3.02	3.02	2.00	4.04	
				\$24,784.18		\$731.00	\$731.00	\$812.87	\$691.26
								Grand Totals	

**REPORT OF BRIGGS COMMITTEE
1953**

Balance on hand	\$1 53
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Receipts:	
Interest on fund	30 23
Gifts from friends	30 45
Gifts from Men's Club	25 00
Gifts from Ladies Aid	15 00
Gifts from P.T.A.	5 00
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	\$107 21
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Expenses:	
Candy, tangerines, peanuts	\$30 74
107 presents	55 61
Candy boxes	3 30
Christmas tree	1 50
Wrappings and supplies	3 85
Electrical supplies	2 10
Pins, pipe cleaners	55
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	\$97 65
Credit on tangerines	2 48
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Balance on hand	<hr/> \$12 04

The retiring committee acknowledges with appreciation the generous support of this yearly party by the entire community.

RUTH CHURCHILL,
HELEN TERRY,
Committee.

Audited and approved
WALTER E. DUNN,
NINA E. CHRISTIAN.

**REPORT OF WESTMORELAND
LIBRARY TREASURER 1953**

RECEIPTS

Balance on hand Jan. 1, 1953	\$106 52
Briggs & Burt Funds	75 56
Jotham Lord Fund	60 45
Town appropriation	200 00
Resale of books	13 58
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	\$456 11

EXPENSES

D. Rhodes, services as librarian	\$81 00
J. R. Fredette, janitor service and repairs	34 50
D. A. Paine, 1/2 cord wood	10 00
A. F. Hudson, 1/3 cord wood	6 00
Postage	75
Public Service Co., lights	17 86
Palmer Ins. Agency	22 27
Clark Ins. Agency	14 40
G. E. Britton, painting, supplies	10 09
Aubuchon Hardware Co., electric heater	18 95
Brattleboro Book Cellar, books	194 17
L. L. Thompson, books purchased	2 25
Subscription, Omnibook	2 95
2 special checking acc't books	2 00
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	\$417 19
Cash on hand	4 08
Keene Nat'l Bank, checking account	34 84
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	\$456 11

Respectfully submitted,

LUCY L. THOMPSON,
Treasurer.

Audited and approved

WALTER E. DUNN,
NINA E. CHRISTIAN

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT

Balance from last year	\$ 41
Dues collected since Jan. 1953	1 96
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	\$2 37

EXPENDITURES

N.H.L.A. dues and postage	\$1 13
2 National Order books	90
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Balance	\$ 34
Number of patrons	325
Number of books issued	5,972
Number of books discarded	25
Number of books in library	6,228

BOOKS PRESENTED

Mrs. Roscoe Perry	2
Mrs. W. M. Corse	30
Mrs. John Watkins	8
Mrs. Roger Bridgeman	2
Andrew Staples	15
Mrs. Robert Perry	2

DOROTHY R. RHODES,
Librarian.

AUDITORS' REPORT

This is to certify that we have examined and audited the accounts for the current year of the Selectmen, Town Treasurer, Town Clerk, Tax Collector, Trustees of Trust Funds, Road Agents, Library Treasurer and Briggs Christmas Fund and find them correct and properly vouched.

WALTER E. DUNN.
NINA E. CHRISTIAN,
Auditors.

Jan. 30, 1954. Town of Westmoreland.

WESTMORELAND FIRE DEPARTMENT

	Expenditures 1953	Proposed Budget 1954
Insurance	\$230 73	\$300 00
Fire equipment purchases	254 84	*730 00
Department Supplies	32 87	
Payrolls—forest fire and steward	174 25	300 00
Gasoline, fuel, service to trucks	57 89	200 00
Repair parts (trucks)	44 96	50 00
Fire equipment repairs, replacements	203 98	†450 00
 Total spent 1953	\$999 52	
Budget 1953	1,000 00	
Budget 1954		\$2,030 00

*(Pump Hose).

†(Hose).

Note: Purchase of used tank truck made possible through running of Fireman's Ball. Net realized \$186.29.

SCHOOL DISTRICT OFFICERS

SCHOOL BOARD

Mrs. Mary Fredette, Chairman

Mrs. Ruth Hatt, appointed to complete year

Mr. Charles Adams

CLERK

Ruth Churchill

TREASURER

Mrs. Marjorie Hudson

AUDITOR

Oscar Billings

SUPERINTENDENT

Mr. Elliot W. Keach, Walpole

THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

PROPOSED SCHOOL WARRANT

To the inhabitants of the school district of the Town of Westmoreland qualified to vote in district affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall, in said district, on the ninth day of March, 1954, at 1:00 o'clock in the afternoon to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose a moderator for the coming year.
2. To choose a clerk for the ensuing year.
3. To choose a member of the school board for the ensuing three years.
4. To choose a member of the school board for the ensuing one year.
5. To choose a treasurer for the ensuing year.

6. To determine and appoint the salaries of the school board and truant officers, and fix the compensation of any other officer or agent of the district.
7. To hear the reports of agents, auditors, committees, or other officers chosen, and pass any vote relating thereto.
8. To choose agents, auditors, and committees in relation to any subject embraced in this warrant.
9. To see what sum of money the district will raise and appropriate for the support of schools, for the salaries of school district officials and agents, and for the payment of statutory obligations of the district, and to authorize the application against said appropriation of such sums as are estimated to be received from the state equalization fund together with other income; the school board to certify to the selectmen the balance between the estimated revenue and the appropriation, which balance is to be raised by taxes by the town.
10. To see if the district will vote to raise and appropriate a sum not to exceed \$28,750.00 for the construction, equipment, and furnishing of an addition to the present village elementary school, and the acquisition of any real property that may be necessary for its location; and whether the district will vote to raise such sum through the issuance of serial notes or bonds upon the credit of the district for all or any portion of the sum so raised and appropriated and to authorize the school board to determine the terms and conditions upon which the notes or bonds shall be issued including their sale and the time and the time and place of payment of principal and interest, in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Bonds Statute, N. H. Revised Laws, Chapter 72, and any amendments thereto.
10. To see if the district will vote to appoint a building committee consisting of three persons, to be elected by the voters, to advise with the school board in acquiring the real property adjoining the present village school site and to supervise the construction of the addition, providing that the plans and specifications and the selection of a site for

the addition shall finally be approved by the school board acting to execute any and all contracts and agreements necessary in connection with the construction and equipping of said school.

11. To see if the school district will vote to authorize the school board to print a complete summary of the school expenditures in their annual report in the town report. The purpose of this detailed report is for the information of the voters that they may have a better understanding of the finances of the school system.
12. To transacts any other business that may legally come before this meeting.

REPORT OF SCHOOL BOARD

For the Year Ending June 30, 1953

RECEIPTS

National school lunch	\$424	38
State aid	2,582	46
Local taxation	27,632	85
Trust funds	110	75
Other income	130	82
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Total receipts from all sources	\$30,881	26
Cash on hand July 1, 1952	2,124	24
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	\$33,005	50

PAYMENTS

Administration:

Salary of district officers:

Lloyd Ruble	\$45 00
Mary Fredette	52 50
Willard Patton	50 00
Charles Adams	12 50
Marjorie Hudson	50 00
Curtis Bemis	5 00
Ruth Churchill	5 00
Cameron Paine	3 50

Superintendent's salary	357 98
Tax for statewide supervision	330 00

Salaries of other admin. personnel:

Treasurer of Union No. 60	\$133 20
Census (Marjorie Hudson)	10 00
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	\$143 20

Supplies and expenses:

Treasurer of Union No. 60	\$179 29
Div. of Surveys & Field Services	3 00
Chase's	5 41
W. H. Watson	15 00
Mary Fredette	15 05
N. H. School Board Assoc.	3 00
Supt. of schools	3 10
Marjorie Hudson	18 14
Ashuelot-Citizen's Bank	5 81
Ginn & Co.	1 10

	\$248 90

Instruction:

Teachers' salaries:

Eugenia Clonaris	\$1,877 40
Dorothy Dunn	1,786 20
Carrie Paine	2,012 80
Minnie Smith	2,079 00
Helen Terry	135 00
Substitute teachers	8 00
Wash. Nat'l Ins. Co.	58 00
N. H. Teachers' Retirement Sys.	372 75
Treas. Union No. 60	2 90
Director of Internal Revenue	1,554 00

	\$9,886 05

Books and other instructional aids:

Lyons & Carnahan	\$6 19
J. B. Lippincott Co.	8 94
Silver Burdette Co.	7 63
Cascade Paper Co.	9 75
Ginn & Co.	27 96
L. W. Singer Co.	7 19
Scott, Foresman & Co.	58 28
Follett Publishing Co.	16 84
Allyn & Bacon	14 43
Carl Fischer, Inc.	1 21
Bobbs, Merrill Co.	4 16

	\$162 58

Scholars' supplies:	
Milton Bradley Co.	\$63 05
Scott, Foresman & Co.	4 96
Beaudette & Co.	5 83
California Test Bureau	12 66
World Book Co.	9 46
Walpole school district	6 21
Chase's	16 95
Gledhill Bros. Inc.	25 13
Michek Supply Co.	4 56
American Education Press	35 00
American Book Co.	25 98
Cascade Paper Co.	109 11
Guy's Service Station	1 72
J. L. Hammett Co.	10 55

	\$331 17
Operation of school plant:	
Salaries of janitors:	
J. R. Fredette	\$511 00
Minnie V. Smith	179 00
Roger Adams	176 40
Mary Fredette	6 25

	\$872 65
Fuel or heat:	
Edward Berube	\$600 00
Keene Oil Co.	273 76
Perley Safford	62 43

	\$936 19
Water, lights, supplies and expenses:	

Gledhill Brothers	\$6 60
Pioneer Mfg. Co.	6 16
Public Service Co.	310 22
G. E. Britton	40 99
Norcross, Eldridge Co.	81 77
Mt. Kilburn Paper Co.	68 24
Minnie Smith	5 56

J. R. Fredette	8 10
Spencer Hardware Co.	2 25
Walpole School Dist.	2 75
C. B. Dolge Co.	12 27
Dorothy Dunn	4 17
Guy's Service Station	40

	\$549 48
Maintenance of school plant:	
Repairs and replacements:	
Walter E. Dunn	\$703 84
J. R. Fredette	123 00
A. F. Hudson	60 47
O'Neil's Curtain Shop	52 50
Irene Fredette	15 00
R. L. Galloway	44 45
Roger Adams	14 40
Bert Merrill	12 40
Carl Sawyer	10 00
Arvid Pearson	7 80
Vera McClenning	7 00
G. E. Britton	7 01
Spencer Hardware Co.	6 37
C. Robert Lacy	4 50

	\$1,068 74
Auxiliary activities:	
Health supervision:	
Nurses' salary	\$333 00
First Aid Bandage Co.	11 37

	\$344 37
Transportation:	
Rafael Carbonell	\$5,202 00
Vera McClenning	563 50
Helen Terry	268 00

	\$6,033 50

Tuition (High) :	
Brattleboro school district	\$225 00
Walpole school district	2,849 19
Keene school district	3,133 45
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	\$6,207 64
Tuition (Elementary)	
Walpole school district	\$1,621 01
School lunch :	
Mrs. A. Christian, chairman :	
Town appropriation	\$300 00
Federal aid	424 38
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	\$724 38
Fixed charges :	
Retirement :	
Treas. Union No. 60	\$45 84
N. H. Teachers' Retirement Sys.	598 57
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	\$644 41
Insurance :	
Clark Insurance Agency	\$98 00
Palmer Insurance Agency	182 86
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	\$280 86
Capital outlay :	
Addition and improvements to buildings :	
R. E. Chapman	\$420 00
Keene Oil Co.	694 00
R. L. Galloway	873 00
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	\$1,987 00
Total payments for all purposes	\$32,953 61
Cash on hand June 30, 1953	51 89
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Total	\$33,005 50

BALANCE SHEET, JUNE 30, 1953

Assets:	
Cash on hand	\$51 89
Tuition, high school	24 04
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Total	\$75 93
Liabilities:	
Total liabilities	\$00 00
Surplus	75 93
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Grand total	\$75 93

BUDGET OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT
OF WESTMORELAND, NEW HAMPSHIRE
1954-1955

EXPENDITURES ITEM

Administration:

	Adopted Budget 1952-53	Actual Expenditure 1952-53	Adopted Budget 1953-54	School Board's Budget 1954-55	Budget Committee's Budget 1954-55
Salaries of district officers	\$223 50	\$223 50	\$223 50	\$223 50	\$223 50
Supt.'s salary (local share)	344 10	357 98	384 25	339 84	339 84
Tax for state wide supervision	332 00	330 00	290 00	338 00	338 00
Salaries of other administrative personnel	121 00	143 00	171 12	233 00	233 00
Supplies and expenses	155 00	248 92	260 00	248 00	248 00
Instruction:					
Elementary teachers' and principal's salaries	10,500 00	9,886 05	11,210 00	11,220 00	10,670 00
Books and other instruction aids, elementary	225 00	162 58	300 00	245 00	245 00
Scholars' supplies, elementary	250 00	331 17	522 00	390 00	390 00
Supplies and other expenses, elementary	70 00		70 00	560 00	560 00

EXPENDITURES ITEM

	Adopted Budget 1952-53	Actual Expenditures 1952-53	Adopted Budget 1953-54	School Board's Budget 1954-55	Budget Committee's Budget 1954-55
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Operation of School Plant:

Salaries of janitors, elementary	950 00	872 65	975 00	975 00	975 00
Fuel or heat, elementary	625 00	830 69	500 00	950 00	950 00
Water, light, supplies and expenses, elementary	300 00	549 48	430 00	500 00	500 00

Maintenance of School Plant:

Repairs and replacements, elementary	1,000 00	1,063 92	750 00	750 00	750 00
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Auxiliary Activities:

Health supervision, elementary	375 00	344 37	355 00	418 00	418 00
Transportation, elementary	6,000 00	6,033 50	6,000 00	6,500 00	6,500 00
Tuition, high	7,000 00	6,207 64	8,265 00	11,100 00	9,500 00
Tuition, elementary	1,500 00	1,621 01	1,950 00	3,456 00	3,000 00
Special activities and special funds, elementary	75 00	724 38	100 00	100 00	100 00
School lunch, elementary	225 00		400 00	850 00	850 00

Fixed Charges:

Retirement, elementary	653 63	644 41	707 32	794 00	794 00
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Insurance, treas. bonds and expenses, elementary	300 77	280 86	325 00	325 00	325 00
Total current expenses	\$31,225 00	\$30,856 29	\$34,188 09	\$40,515 34	\$37,909 34

Capital Outlay:

Lands and new buildings,
elementary

Additions and improvements,
elementary

New equipment, elementary

Total expenditures or sch. approp.

1,800 00	1,987 00	100 00	100 00	100 00
		1,500 00		
		1000 00	100 00	100 00
\$33,025 00	\$32,895 68	\$35,888 09	\$40,715 34	\$38,109 34

RECEIPTS ITEM	Adopted Budget 1952-53	Actual Receipts 1952-53	Adopted Budget 1953-54	School Board's Budget 1954-55	Budget Committee's Budget 1954-55
Balance (actual or estimated)	\$1,600 00	2,124 24	450 00	200 00	200 00
State aid	3,924 81	2,582 46	2,300 00	3,800 00	3,800 00
Federal aid		424 38		450 00	450 00
Trust funds	92 15	110 75	92 15	92 15	92 15
Tot. rec'ts other than prop. taxes	\$5,616 96	\$5,241 83	\$2,842 15	\$4,542 15	\$4,542 15
Dist. assessment raised or to be raised by property taxes	\$27,408 04		\$33,045 94	\$36,173 19	\$33,567 19
Total approp. voted by sch. dist.	\$33,025 00		\$35,888 09	\$40,715 34	\$38,109 34
Special appropriations to be Financed by Bond Issues, Serial Notes or Capital Reserve Funds for School Addition					\$28,750 00
					\$28,750 00

JOHN WATKINS,
JOHN H. TERRY, JR.
LAWRIE W. CHURCHILL,
THOMAS HATT,
CHARLES R. ADAMS,
Budget Committee.

Feb. 13, 1954.

REPORT OF DISTRICT TREASURER

For Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 1953

Cash on hand, July 1, 1952	\$2,124 24
Received from selectmen:	
Current appropriation	\$27,632 85
Received from state treasurer:	
State funds	2,582 46
Federal funds	424 38
Received from trust funds	110 75
Received from other sources	130 82
Total receipts	<hr/> \$30,881 26
Total amount available for fiscal year	\$33,005 50
Less school board orders paid	32,953 61
Balance on hand, June 30, 1953	<hr/> \$51 89

AUDITOR'S CERTIFICATE

This is to certify that I have examined the books, vouchers, bank statements and other financial records of the treasurer of the school district of Westmoreland of which the above is a true summary for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1953 and find them correct in all respects.

OSCAR W. BILLINGS,
Auditor.

REPORT OF SCHOOL NURSE WESTMORELAND

I wish to extend my thanks to the parents, teachers, citizens, and pupils for their interest in the school health program. It has made my first year a most gratifying experience.

I hope each year to include in our school health program any new procedures that will help improve your community.

The following is my report for the year ending June 30, 1953:

- 92 pupils were inspected.
- 83 pupils were in need of dental care.
- 9 pupils were under dental care.
- 92 pupils had vision and hearing tests.
- 1 pupil had a hearing defect.
- 5 pupils had eye examinations and defects corrected.
- 19 pupils were advised to have throat and nose examinations by the family physician.

ELLEN L. McAFFEE, R. N.
School Nurse.

REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

To the School Board and Citizens of Westmoreland:

I herewith submit my annual report as superintendent of your schools.

Three teachers returned to our system this year. Mrs. Carrie Paine was replaced at the Village School by Mrs. Dorothy Wilson, a former teacher in Walpole and Langdon. Mrs. Wilson resigned in December and Mr. William Fahey III, a recent graduate of Keene Teachers College, took over the duties at the Village School on January 4, 1954.

Achievement tests were given all the grades this past spring and general ability tests were given this fall. Comparison of the results of these tests are being used to evaluate the success of the pupils, aid in guidance and help improve the educational program.

Test results, pupil grades and other information that will aid in counseling pupils are now kept on a new permanent record form that contains much more helpful information. In addition, each pupil has an individual folder containing information that cannot be condensed on a permanent record form.

There are fewer children enrolled in the district's schools this year, however, this condition can change quickly. The first grade is expected to be one-third larger next year.

Rearrangement of teaching assignments and pupil assignments to schools will allow for improvement in our educational program. This can be accomplished if it is possible to change transportation routes. An improvement was made this year by adding one bus route which allowed children to leave home later in the morning and return earlier in the afternoon.

Increased enrollment in the Walpole School System may result in Walpole's being unable to accept eighth grade pupils as tuition pupils from Westmoreland. When this occurs, a decision will have to be made in regard to providing facilities in Westmoreland or sending these pupils elsewhere as tuition pupils.

Last year there was considerable discussion of a centralized school for the district if and when the eighth grade could no longer go to Walpole. This may be the solution, or there may be another solution that would be to the best interests of the youth and citizens of the town of Westmoreland.

It is not a problem that is easily solved. It should be studied on a continuing basis so that possible solutions may be thoroughly investigated in order that the best interests of the district may be served, and that a decision does not have to be made on the basis of incomplete information.

ENROLLMENT, JANUARY 4, 1954

Grade	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Totals
East	8	5	4	4	5			26
Village	6	8	6	11	7			38
Depot						13	18	31
Brattleboro								1
Keene								19
Walpole								31

I wish to thank the parent teachers organization and the home demonstration group for their help in adding to and maintaining the playground equipment. The committee and personnel responsible for the maintenance of the hot lunch program are to be congratulated on their contribution to the welfare of the pupils.

Respectfully submitted,
 ELLIOT W. KEACH,
 Superintendent of Schools.

VITAL STATISTICS

BIRTHS

<i>Date</i>	<i>Place</i>	<i>Baby's Name</i>	<i>Father's Name</i>	<i>Mother's Maiden Name</i>
				1953
Feb. 6	Keene	Susan Lee	James W. Snyder	Madlyn Chickering
Mar. 16	Keene	James Alan	James K. Fredette	Hazel Forbes
May 19	Brattleboro	Linda Marie	Richard Bittner	Martha Volzer
May 21	Keene	Nancy Jo	Edward Comerford	Grace Farley
June 9	Brattleboro	Kathleen Celeste	Edward Bittner	Ann E. Hickey
June 6	Keene	Carla Ann	Carl Sawyer Jr.	Elizabeth Provencher
June 12	Keene	Sally Ann	Linn Starkey Jr.	Marcia Perham
June 17	Keene	Charles Alan	Charles Perham	Marion Power
June 29	Keene	Matthew Britton	Philip Hall	Elizabeth Britton
June 30	Keene	Ellen Anna	Arthur Sharkey Jr.	Pauline Kingsbury
July 5	Bellows Falls	Mildred Jane	Harry Davis Jr.	Mildred Moody
July 21	Keene	Susan Elaine	Charles Osgood Jr.	Rita Pergeron
Aug. 20	Brattleboro	Charles Eric	William Colbert	Marie Cramette
Sept. 19	Brattleboro	John Raymond	Lloyd Kenyon	Edna Tucker
Sept. 29	Keene	Sally Ann	Samuel Chickering	Alice Herrick
Nov. 22	Keene	Herbert John	James Snyder	Madlyn Chickering
Nov. 12	Greenfield, Ms.	Gail	Norbert Hudson	Norma Perham

MARRIAGES

<i>Date</i>	<i>Place</i>	<i>Name</i>	<i>Residence</i>
			1952
May 24	Canton, Ohio	Richard F. Bittner	Westmorland
		Martha A. Volzer	Canton, Ohio
			1953
Mar. 7	Brattleboro	Elroy Brown	Westmoreland
		Clara Wooley	Marlboro
June 12	Westmoreland	Bernard W. Hall	Chesterfield
		Marjorie N. Hatt	Westmoreland
Sept. 5	Keene	Donald McMahon	Keene
		Constance L. Berube	Westmoreland
Sept. 25	Keene	Horace A. Kingsbury	Westmoreland
		Opal A. LaClair	
Nov. 7	Westmoreland	Richard G. Delano	Keene
		Lois S. Makinen	Westmoreland
Nov. 21	Westmoreland	Oscar J. Makinen	Westmoreland
		Irene C. Daigneault	Westmoreland
Nov. 24	Keene	Frederick A. Derosier	Keene
		Arlene R. Wilson	Westmoreland

DEATHS

<i>Date</i>	<i>Place of Birth</i>	<i>Name</i>	<i>Age</i>
1953			
Jan. 24	Canning, N. S.	Ermee B. Gerould	83
Feb. 21	Walpole	Sarah Jane Wheeler	95
Apr. 27	Hinsdale	Nellie M. Harvey	70
Aug. 19	Troy, N. Y.	Sarah Y. Peabody	69
Sept. 5	White Plains, N. Y.	Edward L. Turner	90
Sept. 12	Hubbardston, Mass.	Emma A. Smith	93
Dec. 11	Sharon, Vt.	William Avery	74

BROUGHT TO TOWN FOR BURIAL

<i>Date</i>	<i>Place of Birth</i>	<i>Name</i>	<i>Age</i>
Jan. 28	Chesterfield	Leonard D. Warren	78
June 9	Jamaica, Vt.	Lena M. Aldrich	80
Oct. 10	Bellows Falls, Vt.	Albert Davis	1
Nov. 23	Keene	—— Snyder	1 da.

DEATHS AT THE COUNTY FARM

<i>Date</i>	<i>Place of Birth</i>	<i>Name</i>	<i>Age</i>
Mar. 16	Bolton, Mass.	Eva Norcross Jackson	73
May 2	Austria	Jeo Varnish	65
Oct. 15	Jaffrey	Louis E. Towne	71
Oct. 13	Hartland, Vt.	S. Zannie Jackson	87

I hereby certify that the foregoing transcript of births, marriages and deaths is correct according to the best of my knowledge and belief.

RUTH E. BURT, Town Clerk.

